

**REMARKS**

Claims 1 – 8 have been examined. Claims 1 and 2 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as anticipated by U.S. Pat. No. 2,086,144 (“Wood”); Claim 6 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Wood in view of U.S. Pat. No. 4,378,095 (“Reynolds”); Claim 8 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as unpatentable over Wood in view of U.S. Pat. No. 4,278,489 (“Horsley”); and Claims 3 – 5 and 7 have been identified as allowable except for their dependence from a rejected base claim. An objection was also raised to the drawings as failing to show the “rocker arm” recited in Claim 5.

Claim 3 has been canceled and its limitations incorporated into independent Claim 1. Claim 5 has separately been written in independent form. In view of the indicated allowability of Claims 3 and 5, it is thus believed that amended Claims 1 and 5 are now allowable, as are each of the remaining claims by virtue of their dependence from Claim 1. Claim 4 has been amended to correct its dependency in light of the cancellation of Claim 3.

In addition, Claim 5 has been amended to recite a “rocker arm unit” rather than a “rocker arm.” The rocker arm unit is shown as element 50 in Figs. 1 and 2 (*see* Application, p. 12, ll. 8, 10, 20, 26, and 31). It is thus believed that the objection to the drawings has been overcome.

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**CONCLUSION**

In view of the foregoing, Applicant believes all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance and an action to that end is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 303-571-4000.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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